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LUSAKA , SEPTEMBER 14-- AGAINST THE BACKGROUND OF THE IMPENDING SECSTATE VISIT, LOCAL PRESS IN STRAIGHT NEW STORIES ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, STRESSED RHODESIAN RECALCITRANCE ON MAJORITY RULE AND ZAMBIAN SUPPORT FOR THE SECSTATE S VISIT.

A MAJOR FRONT PAGE STORY BY A TIMES OF ZAMBIA STAFFER QUOTED EXTENSIVELY FROM REMARKS MADE BY PRESIDENT KAUNDA AT A LUNCHEON FOR THE DEPARTING EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR. HEADLINED:

"WE LL GIVE KISSINGER A CHANCE, SAYS KK," STORY STATES, "FRONTLINE COUNTRIES WOULD LIKE TO BELIEVE EFFORTS BY AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE DR. HENRY KISSINGER, TO BRING ABOUT A SOLUTION TO THE SOUTHERN AFRICA PROBLEMS ARE "GENUINE", PRESIDENT KAUNDA SAID IN LUSAKA YESTERDAY". STORY ALSO QUOTES PRESIDENT KAUNDA: "WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT WE SHALL NOT STOP FIGHTING UNTIL THERE IS MAJORITY RULE IN ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA AND APARTHEIED IS SWEPT OUT OF SOUTH AFRICA." SAME BASIC STORY WAS CARRIED IN SEPT. 14 DAILY MAIL UNDER HEADLINE "FREEDOM FIGHT COSTS NATION HEAVILY - KAUNDA," STORY NOTES:

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"DR. KAUNDA REITERATED HIS EARLIER STATEMENT THAT ARMED STRUGGLE

WILL CONTINUE DESPITE DR. KISSINGER S VISIT."

DAILY MAIL AND TIMES TREATED REMARKS MADE SUNDAY NIGHT BY IAN SMITH WITH REUTERS STORY, HEADLINED RESPECTIVELY: "FORGET ONE MAN -- ONE VOTE -- SMITH," AND "MAJORITY RULE IS OUT, SMITH RANTS." IN ADDITION TO SMITH REMARKS, REUTERS STORY DATED SALISBURY NOTES THAT SECSTATE HEADING FOR DAR ES SALAAM FROM ZURICH AND STATES: "THE TRIP IS SEEN HERE AS AMONG THE MOST IMPORTANT HE (SECSTATE) HAS MADE SINCE HE BECAME SECRETARY OF STATE IN SEPTEMBER, 1973. IT IS LIKELY TO BE A STERN TEST OF NEGOTIATING SKILLS PERFECTED IN HIS MIDDLE EAST SHUTTLES.....H HAS LEFT OPEN THE POSSIBILITY, IF CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANT, OF GOING TO RHODESIA, TOO. BUT OBSERVERS THINK THE POSSIBILITY REMOTE. DR. KISSINGER IS CONSIDERED ALMOST CERTAIN TO DISCUSS THE RACE PROBLEM IN SOUTH AFRICA ITSELF AS WELL."

SPECIFICALLY ON SECSTATE VISIT, SEPT. 14 DAILY MAIL CARRIES STORY HEADLINED: " HUNDRED-STRONG KISSINGER TEAM ARRIVES THURSDAY." IN ADDITION TO STRAIGHT COVERAGE OF PRINCIPLES IN SECSTATE PARTY, STORY CARRIES COMMENT FROM NAIROBI "DAILY NATION" THAT KISSINGER S MISSION TO AFRICA MUST AIM AT MAJORITY RULE FOR THE COUNTRIES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, ALSO STATING, "AN OVER-RIDING CONCERN FOR KISSINGER -- AND THE UNITED STATES -- IS THE GROWING COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. IT IS PARTLY IN AN ATTEMPT TO COUNTER THIS INFLUENCE THAT KISSINGER IS UNDERTAKING HIS MISSION." IN ADDITION TO THE COMMENT FROM NAIROBI S DAILY NATION, THE DAILY MAIL STORY NOTED: "THE NEW YORK TIMES COMMENTED YESTERDAY THAT THE ODDS AGAINST THE SUCCESS OF KISSINGER S DIPLOMATIC MISSION TO SOUTHERN AFRICA WERE HEAVY, BUT THE BIG STAKES INVOLVED MEANT HE WAS RIGHT TO TRY." USIS ITEM LUSAKA. BURNS

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